

# EmmanuelLife

Newsletter of Emmanuel United Church of Christ



Rev. Kenneth D. Peterkin

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## Calendar Highlights

**Thursdays, October 1 & 15**  
*1-4 pm—Afternoon of Games*

**Sundays, October 4, 11, 18, 25**  
*8:30 am—Adult Learning Hour*  
*10 am—Worship in person and*  
*live streamed on YouTube*

**Sundays, October 4 & 18**  
*6-6:45 pm—EUCC Mindfulness*

**Mondays, October 5, 12, 19, 26**  
*1 pm—Compassionate Crafters*

**Saturday, October 10**  
*7 pm—Atlantic Guitar Quartet Concert*

## Coming Up

- **In the Church Office:**  
The office admin will be on vacation September 28 through October 7. Visit the office 10am-1pm September 29, 30 and October 1, when Rev. Ken will be in, or reach him by phone or email. In addition, Rev. Ken will be on vacation October 5-9.
- **Christmas Tea:** Get ready for savory and sweet delights on December 5.



COMPLETE CALENDAR, PAGE 9

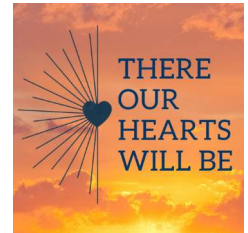
From the Stewardship Committee . . .

Friends,

Stories are the heartbeat of our faith.

The sacred stories of scripture expand our understanding of who God is and how God shows up in the world. The stories of our own lives are powerful reminders of how we have been shaped by the God of all creation and Christ's church.

The stories and testimonials we will hear in worship over the next several weeks celebrate that when we align ourselves and our gifts with God's heart, There Our Hearts Will Be too for the future of ministry in and through our church. Thank you for all the ways you give... of your time, your talents, and of your financial resources. We couldn't share in all God has for us without you!



Over the next few weeks, we will ask everyone in our congregation to prayerfully and carefully discern their passions and priorities and decide how to align their money with those. For people of faith, what we give to God through the church is a reflection of our values. Likewise, how our church stewards its money is a reflection of who we believe God is calling us to be.

It is truly gratifying to see all the ways God fills our hearts and nurtures our desires to do good in our church, our community, and our world. I'm so grateful to see the welcome we so generously extend to new folks in our midst on Sunday mornings; to take part in the lively discussions of our Adult Sunday School class; and to witness the good works our donations do for the many local charities we support in the Hanover community.

I hope you will join me in making a commitment to give this coming year. These commitments represent an estimate of what we intend to give out of gratitude for

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*The 2026-2027 season kicks off with a Saturday concert*

# Atlantic Guitar Quartet

Saturday, October 10

7 pm

Founded in 2010, the Atlantic Guitar Quartet is a contemporary music ensemble dedicated to promoting the music of living composers. Through virtuosic performances, innovative programming and collaborations with other visual and performing artists, the quartet has broadened the repertoire for – and the definition of – the classical guitar quartet.

Concertgoers will enjoy a program of works by Olga Amelkina Vera, Ronald Pearl, Fred Frith, Douglas Lora, Judah Adashi, and Benjamin Verdery.

Each of the four members, Mark Edwards, James Keretses, Matthew Slotkin and Zoë Johnstone Stewart have enjoyed extensive solo and chamber performing careers prior to joining the ensemble. As a group AGQ has performed as part of the Baltimore Classical Guitar Society concert series, Ulster Chamber Series, Evolution Contemporary Music series, and at Bloomsburg University, York College of Pennsylvania, Loyola University, Marshall University and the Peabody Institute.

They have been artists-in-residence at the Engineers Club of the Garret-Jacobs Mansion in Baltimore since 2010 and in 2018



**The Atlantic Guitar Quartet is comprised of alumni of the esteemed Peabody Conservatory who share a desire to expand the repertoire for classical guitar. From left are James Keretses, Zoë Johnstone, Mark Edwards and Matthew Slotkin. They will perform at 7 pm Saturday, October 10, at Emmanuel.**

AGQ was selected to be part of the Maryland State Arts Council Touring Roster.

In addition to their performances, the quartet has also been invited to teach master classes and workshops at the Peabody Summer Guitar Intensive, Salisbury University, Bloomsburg University and the Mid Atlantic Guitar Ensemble Festival.

AGQ has been proactive in expanding the repertoire of the classical guitar quartet by commissioning new works. With major institutional support by the

Presser Foundation and the Peabody Conservatory, AGQ has premiered pieces by American composers Vid Smooke, Christopher Gainey and Ronald Pearl. Several of these works, along with music by composer Olivier Bensa and Arvo Pärt, are featured on the quartet's debut CD, released in November 2013.

The quartet's world premieres include performances of works by Douglas Lora, Benjamin Verdery, Judah Adashi, Olga Amelkina-Vera and many others.

- **Admission** is free to all concerts!
- **Stay afterwards** for a dessert reception to meet the artist.
- **Home baked finger foods needed:** The Concert Reception committee is requesting donations. Contact Marilyn at 443-766-3563.

## 2026-2027 Schedule

### **116th Annual Carol Sing**

#### *A Hanover Tradition*

Sunday, December 20 – 7 pm

Join us for a joyful evening of Christmas carols, the stories behind them, and a live 20-piece orchestra of professional and community musicians.

### **Avalos Solera Duo** *Bandoneon Duo*

Sunday, March 14 – 3 pm

The Avalos Solera Duo brings together two traditions through the versatile bandoneon, known as the iconic instrument of tango that actually has German origins and deep roots in the music of Johann Sebastian Bach. Rodrigo Avalos and Heyni Solera perform J.S. Bach alongside tangos from the Golden Era of the 1940s-50s, Piazzolla and other contemporary composers, showcasing the instrument's beauty and versatility.



### **Anansi Trio** *Jazz and World Music*

Sunday, April 4 – 3 pm

The Anansi Trio draws on jazz, Afro-Cuban and Indian music, and other global traditions to create a sound that is both experimental and accessible. Featuring percussion, saxophone, and acoustic bass, the trio combines diverse rhythms with a focus on improvisation, putting its own distinctive stamp on the rich American legacy of jazz. Mark Merella, Matt Belzer, and Larry Melton bring their extensive experience across live performance, recording, theater and education to this adventurous ensemble.



### **Duo Fuerza** *One Piano, Four Hands*

Saturday, May 1 – 7 pm

Duo Fuerza is known for powerful, expressive performances and exceptional musical connection. Both James D'León and Alwen Yeung began piano studies in early childhood and established distinguished individual careers as soloists, chamber musicians, and collaborators. Their partnership combines complementary strengths and remarkable synchronicity, with a shared approach that emphasizes freedom, movement, and emotional expression.



## **Thank you, concert sponsors!**

We are truly grateful for the members and friends of Emmanuel for generously supporting our 2026-2027 Concert Series. Consider supporting the series using the form below.

### ***Donor-Named Concert Sponsors***

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Duo Fuerza—Estelle King

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Please make checks to EUCC. Place this form in the offering, drop off in the office, or mail to:

Emmanuel UCC Concerts  
124 Broadway, Hanover PA 17331

# Neighbors in Need Past, Present and Future

May we have 200 words of your reading time to tell you about how the UCC's Neighbors in Need collection links with the past, present and future? Your time starts NOW!



The NIN collection was established in 1999 to be the UCC offering for justice and compassion. Traditionally, one-third of the collection goes to the Council for American Indian Ministries, which includes over 20 native congregations. Two-thirds of the collection is used for justice and compassion efforts across the U.S.

This year's theme is "Walk in love, as Christ loved us" (Ephesians 5:2). Christ fed the hungry, welcomed the stranger, and showed compassion to those who lived on the edges of society. He encouraged his disciples to walk together as a way of supporting and encouraging each other. We can carry out Jesus' principles today by developing a powerful network to bring about needed social change. This year the UCC was well represented in Ecumenical Advocacy Days, a forum for advocating for critical policy issues, including environmental justice, immigration, democracy and hunger. Last year the NIN offering supported 26 grant recipients who were engaged in projects of direct service and advocacy.

NIN's connection with the future happened in June when youth from across the nation's UCC congregations gathered in Washington, D.C., to develop the skills needed to advocate for justice issues, and to meet with elected officials. Empowered youth empower our future!

Please consider supporting NIN. The collection date is October 11. ~Carol Giesey

## A Century of Celebrating!

Dot Cooper had a wonderful birthday last month when she turned 100 on September 12!



The knitters called her the following Monday and got to hear all about her special weekend, which included a cupcake shower from Homewood.

Then her children arranged for a limousine to whisk her and the family off to dinner at the Inner Harbor. And, of course, there were lots of cards from her Emmanuel family.

Thanks to everyone who helped make this remarkable milestone birthday extra special!

## November is Harvest Month

The fall season is now upon us and soon the hustle and bustle of holidays will be here.



I'm hoping as you gather your thoughts about the coming celebrations of thanks to God for all the goodness of the earth, you will also think about the people experiencing hunger.

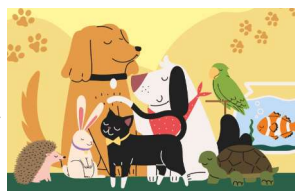
There are 5 Sundays in November and I am hoping everyone will be able to give something every week, large or small, to help these people. At our Missions Committee meetings each month the numbers of people and families needing food assistance is growing. It is so hard to hear these reports! The Committee is hoping every member in our congregation can be generous in this time of need. Your gifts will be gratefully received!

~Marilyn Van Lenten

## Pet Blessings Oct. 4

Bring your furry, feathered and finned friends to 10 am worship on October 4 for blessing by Rev. Ken. All well-behaved pets of any shape and size are welcome. Please make sure your pet is caged or leashed.

Your beloved animal can't make it to church? Rev. Ken will also bless a photo of your pet. Bring a photo to church or email one to [office@eucchanover.org](mailto:office@eucchanover.org) by Sept. 21.



## Crop Walk

Hosted by the Hanover Area Council of Churches, the 50th Annual CROP Hunger Walk will be held Sunday, October 11, at Codorus State Park. Take a 1-, 2- or 3-mile course in the park's Marina day-use area. On-site registration begins at 1 pm at St. Paul's (Dubs) Union Church Annex, at Dubs Church and Marina roads. To join the EUCC team visit [shorturl.at/OLXuh](http://shorturl.at/OLXuh) or contact Judy Dubs at 717-476-9081 or [jdubs1959@gmail.com](mailto:jdubs1959@gmail.com).



## Gift Card Bingo – Friday, November 13!

5:30 pm: Food–Fun–Fellowship

7 pm: 20 Games of Bingo, plus Raffles–Jars–Door Prizes

**Tickets: \$15 at the door**

► For info or to volunteer, contact Megan Alcott at 717-451-5401 or [megan.a.alcott@gmail.com](mailto:megan.a.alcott@gmail.com)

*The event benefits Emmanuel's Building Fund and the Hanover Area Council of Churches.*

### Gift Card Bingo Donation

Want to sponsor a game for just \$25? Use this form:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

will sponsor # \_\_\_\_\_ gift card prizes at \$25 each.

Total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please return to the church office at 124 Broadway, Hanover, or drop in the offering plate by **November 8**.

## Events & Activities

### Veterans Day slide show

EUCC will honor living veterans with a photo presentation during worship on November 8, when we will observe Veterans Day. Email photos to Alec at [alecsivel@hotmail.com](mailto:alecsivel@hotmail.com), or bring photos to the church office for scanning. The deadline for submissions is Oct. 30.

### Afternoon of Games

1-4 pm, October 1 & 15

Join us in King Auditorium 1st and 3rd

Thursdays for Scrabble, cards, board games, snacks and fellowship. New players are always welcome! Call Carol Giesey at 717-632-2665 for info.



### Lunch Bunch

12 pm, second Sundays

The group will gather for food and fellowship at La Cucina after worship on October 11. RSVP to Sandy Rebert at 717-586-2136.



### Mindfulness at EUCC

6 pm, October 4 & 18

Join Karen Jones 1st and 3rd Sundays at 6 pm for free 45-minute drop-in sessions in King Auditorium. The mindfulness and stress-reduction practices are open to all. For a Zoom link or questions, email [kjones@mindfulnessandmotion.com](mailto:kjones@mindfulnessandmotion.com).

### Compassionate Crafters

1-4 pm Mondays

All crafters are welcome to bring a project, swap techniques and enjoy fellowship. Crafters are now working on hats and scarves for our cold-weather clothesline. For info, call Sandy Rebert at 717-586-2136.

## **CONSISTORY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

*August minutes were approved September 21*

### **Consistory Minutes — August 17**

- Treasurer's Report: Clay is encouraged by gains in restricted funds accounts, also pledges and offerings have been very good. We will need additional funds for maintenance repairs. Capital expenses are higher than in a typical year, Brian noted. Approved subject to audit.
- President's Report: Ushers and greeters are needed.
- Pastor's Report: September 27 will be New Member Sunday. The bid for the outdoor electronic sign is \$43,000; Rev. Ken encourages this.

#### **New Business**

- New heating for church and auditorium: Total costs stand at \$127,458, including equipment and labor from D.E. Wildasin, asbestos abatement, and electrical work by J. Miller Electric. Costs have been split between Memorial Fund Purchases and Capital Expense. Only \$60,000 was budgeted. Consistory moved and approved the transfer of an additional \$72,000 from the Unrestricted Mutual Fund to the General Fund/Capital Expense *and* move all heating expenses to Capital Expense and move all Bealing Roofing costs to Memorial Fund Purchases.
- The flat roof over the annex needs to be replaced – we need to get quotes.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Church Education Committee — September**

- Children's Sunday School began on Sept. 13. This year we are utilizing the Deep Blue One Room Sunday School program, which focuses on the book of Genesis for the fall. Six children attended our first week, ranging from 1st to 6th grade.
- We have 1-2 children in the nursery most weeks.
- Sunday morning Adult Learning Hour for the fall will feature "Miracles and Wonder: The Historical Mystery of Jesus" by Elaine Pagels.
- We are continuing to work on making sure that all our volunteers are up to date on the Safe Church requirements. Those interested volunteering for children's programming can see Cheryl Fritz or contact the office for background clearance information.
- Our Emmanuel/Grace/Trinity UCC joint Vacation Bible School in June was a huge success. From 40 to 43 children attended each day to hear about God's love through Bible stories, meet new friends, learn new songs, do crafts, enjoy a snack, and play games. Two children from our church attended and in addition to Cheryl, there were four volunteers: Mary Bair, Rev. Ken, Cindy Sparacino, and Barbara Trimmer. They were exceptional workers! Also thank you to members who donated materials and funds toward this program.

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## **2026 CONSISTORY OFFICERS**

|                       |                                                            |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>President</b>      | Brian Frederick 717-451-3977<br>brianfrederick44@gmail.com |
| <b>Vice President</b> | Dave Jones 717-451-3044<br>redcon1@comcast.net             |
| <b>Secretary</b>      | JJ Dugan 717-465-3549<br>jkdugan77@gmail.com               |
| <b>Treasurer</b>      | Clay Reichart 717-521-9572<br>clayreichart@gmail.com       |

### **CONSISTORY MEMBERS**

Megan Alcott, Jan Hagenberger,  
Eugene Jerry, Sean Moore,  
Sandy Topper, Dan Trimmer

## **COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

|                                     |                                                                                    |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Altar Guild</b>                  | Mary Bair 717-870-5597                                                             |
| <b>Caring</b>                       | Judy Morris 717-968-6998                                                           |
| <b>Christian Education</b>          | Cheryl Fritz 717-698-1153<br>Consistory Rep: Megan Alcott                          |
| <b>Church Growth</b>                | Charlotte Pinette 717-227-0262<br>Consistory Rep: Megan Alcott                     |
| <b>Fellowship Hour Coordinators</b> | Brandon Wood 717-476-9698<br>Joey Warehime 717-253-3336                            |
| <b>Investment</b>                   | Dave Jones 717-451-3044                                                            |
| <b>Missions</b>                     | Carol Giesey 717-632-2665<br>Estelle King 717-487-1906<br>Consistory Rep: JJ Dugan |
| <b>Pastoral Support Committee</b>   | Estelle King 717-487-1906                                                          |
| <b>Personnel</b>                    | Jan Hagenberger 410-829-9371                                                       |
| <b>Property and Safety</b>          | Sean Moore 443-618-7481                                                            |
| <b>Stewardship</b>                  | Dan Trimmer 717-870-4539                                                           |
| <b>Worship and Music</b>            | Charlotte Pinette 717-227-0262<br>Consistory Rep: Clay Reichart                    |

## **Committee Reports, continued from Page 6**

### **Missions Committee — September 15**

- God's Meal Barrel served 221 families in July, and 238 families in August. They appreciate help with holiday items, such as family-size canned goods for Thanksgiving and gift cards for teens for Christmas. Donation dropoffs are welcome the first Saturday of each month.
- Hanover Area Council of Churches announced that interim executive director Erica Gonzalez was named CEO of the organization. Their new board of 9 directors includes Estelle King. They continue to develop job descriptions and a new logo, and hope to acquire the property next door, which could be used for additional income and shelter. In August, shelter beds were occupied 875 times, with some clients spending only one night and others staying multiple nights.
- 3,801 people received PAL lunches in August. Emmanuel's next turn to serve lunch is Sept. 29. To volunteer, see Estelle.
- The annual fundraising Gala for Hoffman Homes is Oct. 30. Missions will assemble and donate at least one themed basket for the silent auction. We will also claim gift tags to provide Christmas gifts for the children. See Estelle for more info.
- New Hope is celebrating 20 years. The New Hope facility in Spring Grove is now open. The Hanover New Hope will hold a food drive at both Wal-Mart locations Oct. 2-3. Go to their website to volunteer. If anyone has a coupon for a free turkey or ham, New Hope suggests donating it to New Hope for Thanksgiving by Nov. 11.
- Communion Gifts in August totaled 68 pounds of food, 12 hygiene items, and 2 cat food items. In September, 23 pounds of food and 4 hygiene items were donated.
- Harvest Home will run Nov. 1-29. Deliveries to local food banks will be made twice, in time for Thanksgiving and Christmas. The altar will be decorated for fall. See Marilyn for more info.
- Missions will donate \$200 from Missions funds to help provide hygiene items and snacks for clients visiting the Salvation Army office.
- Crafters have completed 81 items for winter distribution.
- Haitian families in the Hanover-York area continue to feel the stress of possible family separation, arrest or deportation. We recently delivered 40 lbs. of beans, 18 lbs. of rice, 4 lbs. of diced tomatoes, and 2 lbs. of pasta to the York YMCA New American Welcome Center. We will continue to donate food, and agreed to donate \$500 from Missions funds to the center.
- A meal packing sponsored by Hanover Against Hunger, will be held Nov. 7 at Bethel Church in Littlestown. At a cost of \$7,500, they will package 20,000 meals of mac and cheese, and pasta and tomatoes to be distributed to God's Meal Barrel,

HACC and New Hope. 50 volunteers are needed for the packing day. See Carol for info. Missions agreed to donate \$300.

- We will set up a card-signing table in Fellowship Hall in November to sign Christmas cards for our three sponsored children.

### **Stewardship Committee — September 8**

- Final preparations and assignments were discussed for Commitment Sunday Nov. 15: Rev. Ken will coordinate video testimonials; Brian will compose an article for the newsletter; Dan will prepare the letters; Maria will be contacted to prepare pledge cards for the November mailing; Judy will coordinate the celebration luncheon on Commitment Sunday. All members of the committee will assist in set up and cleaning for the luncheon.

### **Worship & Music Committee — September 6**

- Attendance for the outdoor service at the Gitt Memorial Library on August 30 was 71. It was noted that the day went well and the change from breakfast to lunch was more relaxed.
- Upcoming services:
  - Oct. 4: Communion-World Communion Sunday, St. Francis uplifted, Pet Blessings; wedding and reception follows.
  - Oct. 11: Regular, inclusive language lifted up; "Mission Moment" for Homewood at Plum Creek Auxiliary Membership Drive. Also Neighbors in Need offering.
  - Oct. 18: Laity Sunday - Rita Bouchard is coordinating, aided by Charlotte.
  - Oct. 25: Regular.
  - Nov. 1: Communion, All Saints Day.
  - Nov. 8: Regular, with pulpit supply; Fisher House offering for Veterans Day; Rev. Ken will be away away for continuing education Nov. 4-12.

## **Stewardship, continued from Page 1**

all God does to nurture, transform, and heal our hearts, and help us to plan for the future of Emmanuel.

We will receive and celebrate the intentions we set for the year ahead on Commitment Sunday as part of worship on November 15. As part of our celebration, I hope you will bring your commitment card and join us for the celebratory luncheon after the service.

Thank you for walking alongside me as a part of Emmanuel United Church of Christ.

Blessings,

*Brian Frederick*, for your Stewardship Committee

# Thank You

## From the UCC...

Dear Friends at Emmanuel,

Thank you for your donation to the United Church of Christ. Your gift of \$500 for Venezuela earthquake relief was received on August 3.

Your support allows UCC Disaster Ministries to bridge the gaps between the assistance offered by first-time responders and community revitalization. We can provide aid to individuals from the early stages of recovery and relief throughout the long-term recovery phase. Communities faced with devastating challenges find strength and hope in knowing that you care.

We offer extravagant welcome and radical hospitality to a world seeking lives of deeper meaning and greater value. Our churches are powerful in witness to Christ's love for all people.

Our witness matters in the world, and your witness matters in this world. With your generous gift, we can do this work.

Sincerely,

*Karen Georgia Thompson*

General Minister and President

*Devastating earthquakes on June 24 killed over 5,000 people, injured nearly 17,000 and left almost 18,000 homeless.*

## Thank you for Communion Giving

Many thanks for your September contributions of 23 pounds of food plus lotion and toilet paper. Your donations of pantry items, hygiene products and cleaners are shared among New Hope Ministries' food pantry, the Hanover Area Council of Church's PAL Lunch program and God's Meal Barrel. We also accept bags of beans or rice, canned tomatoes, and fresh fruit for YMCA of the Roses' New American Welcome Center. The next First Sunday Communion Gifts offering is October 4. (Please, no glass jars or expired foods!)

### **CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE**

New Address:

**Jody Adelsperger & John Wheeler**  
153 Stafford Drive, Hanover PA 17331  
*Moved? New email? Please inform the office!*



2027

## Homewood Auxiliary membership drive

The Homewood at Plum Creek Annual Auxiliary Membership Campaign begins October 11 and continues through November. This Continuing Care Retirement Community in Hanover is a mission of the United Church of Christ. This year's theme is *I am the vine, you are the branches*, based on John 5:15.

Homewood Living is a faith based Continuing Care Retirement Community and is home to several members and friends at EUCC. The Auxiliary is grateful for the faithful support of Emmanuel's congregation over many years.

By joining or renewing your membership for 2027, your dues will be used to purchase Wish List items, directly benefiting residents in Personal Care and Nursing Care at Homewood.

The Auxiliary also continues its support of the RLEEF Program, through the Homewood Foundation, which provides special activities, events and entertainment on the Plum Creek campus.

Suggested dues for 2027 remain at \$3 per individual, and \$5 per couple. Additional donations are always graciously accepted, and may be paid in cash or by check made payable to Homewood Auxiliary.

For more information, contact Peg Moulton, your Homewood Auxiliary representative, at 443-904-0234 or [peggym2@comcast.net](mailto:peggym2@comcast.net).

*Make checks payable to "Homewood Auxiliary."*

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The following members and friends of Emmanuel celebrate birthdays in **October**. We extend to each of you best wishes and many happy returns. May God bless you!

- 1—Logan Kemp
- 3—Laken Powell
- 4—Charlotte Sivel, Liam Hoke
- 6—Christine Garrett
- 7—Karen Jones
- 10—Philip Carbaugh
- 11—Ed Garvick
- 14—Bob Marchio, John Rost
- 15—Leslie Dugan
- 18—Melissa Brown, Allison Barycki, Joan Connor
- 19—Doug Becker, JD Sivel
- 20—Peg Moulton, Kristin Long
- 22—Deborah Marie Borst
- 24—Jane Siegel, Nancy Shrout-Wankowski, Ella Pratt
- 26—Jim Garrett
- 28—Carol Connor
- 29—Janet Stein, Penny Miller

## Remembering ♦ Caring ♦ Reaching Out

**Terry Alcott** (Care South)  
**Barbara Cooledge** (Creekside 2209)  
**Julia Greth** (Care Central D-233-A)  
 Homewood, 425 Westminster Avenue,  
 Hanover PA 17331

**Dot Cooper**  
 676 Morning Glory Drive, Hanover PA 17331

## ► Have some news? Change of address?

New email? Let us know!

Call or email: 717-632-8281  
 office@eucchanover.org



**Emmanuel hosts meetings**  
 of the Girl Scouts, Hanover Area Diversity Alliance,  
 Pride Trans Support Group, and Rainbow Rose.  
 ~ For info, contact the church office. ~

Rev. Kenneth D. Peterkin  
 860-581-0869 • pastor@eucchanover.org  
 Office Hours: 10am-1pm, Tuesday-Wednesday

## October 2026

| SUNDAY                                                                                                                  | MONDAY                                                                    | TUESDAY                                          | WEDNESDAY                                                                             | THURSDAY                                                       | FRIDAY    | SATURDAY                                             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>27 September</b><br>10 am—Worship<br>Children's SS                                                                   | <b>28</b> 1-4 pm—Crafters                                                 | <b>29</b><br>9am-1pm—PAL Lunch<br>at HACC        | <b>30</b><br>12-1 pm—Bowers<br>Chapel open<br>6 pm—Chancel Choir<br>7:30 pm—Handbells | <b>1</b><br>1-4 pm—Afternoon of<br>Games in King<br>Auditorium | <b>2</b>  | <b>3</b>                                             |
| <b>4</b> 8:30 am—Adult SS<br>10 am—Worship<br>with communion<br>Children's SS<br>6 pm—Mindfulness                       | <b>5</b> 1-4 pm—Crafters                                                  | <b>6</b><br>7 pm—Stewardship<br>Committee        | <b>7</b><br>6 pm—Chancel Choir<br>7:30 pm—Handbells                                   | <b>8</b><br>6-8 pm—Neighbors in<br>Knead bread baking          | <b>9</b>  | <b>10</b><br>7 pm—Atlantic Guitar<br>Quartet Concert |
| <b>11</b> 8:30 am—Adult SS<br>10 am—Worship<br>Children's SS<br>11:30 am—W&M<br>Committee<br>Lunch Bunch                | <b>12</b><br>1-4 pm—Crafters in<br>the Pastor's Parlor                    | <b>13</b><br>11 am—Missions<br>Committee meeting | <b>14</b><br>12-1 pm—Bowers<br>Chapel open<br>6 pm—Chancel Choir<br>7:30 pm—Handbells | <b>15</b><br>1-4 pm—Afternoon of<br>Games in King              | <b>16</b> | <b>17</b>                                            |
| <b>18</b> 8:30 am—Adult SS<br>10 am—Worship<br>Children's SS<br>11:30 am—Church<br>Growth Committee<br>6 pm—Mindfulness | <b>19</b><br>1-4 pm—Crafters in<br>the Pastor's Parlor<br>7 pm—Consistory | <b>20</b>                                        | <b>21</b><br>12-1 pm—Bowers<br>Chapel open<br>6 pm—Chancel Choir<br>7:30 pm—Handbells | <b>22</b>                                                      | <b>23</b> | <b>24</b>                                            |
| <b>25</b><br>8:30 am—Adult SS<br>10 am—Worship<br>Children's SS                                                         | <b>26</b><br>1-4 pm—Crafters in<br>the Pastor's Parlor                    | <b>27</b>                                        | <b>28</b><br>12-1 pm—Bowers<br>Chapel open<br>6 pm—Chancel Choir<br>7:30 pm—Handbells | <b>29</b>                                                      | <b>30</b> | <b>31</b>                                            |

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## **October F.Y.I.**

### ■ **Pet Blessings**

All well-behaved pets of any shape and size are welcome at worship October 4 for a blessing by Rev. Ken. ~Page 5



### ■ **Atlantic Guitar Quartet**

October 10, discover contemporary music, inventive arrangements and the surprising possibilities of the classical guitar. ~Page 2



### ■ **Laity Sunday**

At 10 am October 18 we will celebrate your ministry, with lay persons leading all parts of worship. Many people are needed! To participate, call Rita Bouchard at 717-870-3825.

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